WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

BERKSHIRE COUNTY SS

TO: James Olmsted, Constable of the Town of Egremont,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Egremont qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet at Mount Everett High School Auditorium, 491 Berkshire School Road, Sheffield, Mass. on Monday, November 14, 2022 at 6:00 PM, and then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, and or transfer from available funds, and/or to borrow, the sum of \$96,000.00, or any other amount, for additional costs for a new Fire Truck, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Finance Committee recommends approval 4 in favor, 0 against.)

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, and/or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$29,450.00, or any other amount, for a Web Page Administrator, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(Finance Committee will make a recommendation at the Town Meeting.)

ARTICLE 3: To hear the reports of any officers, committee or committees.

Water Study Group

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board, or its designee(s), to explore options for the future management of the Water Plant along with its customers, by means of the following courses of actions, or to take any other action relative thereto:

- 1. Revoke the provisions of Chapter 44 section 53F1/2 of Massachusetts General Laws, thereby ceasing water pumping and delivery accounting as an "enterprise fund" effective FY 23 and transfer any balance, assets, debt and liabilities to the General Fund and to other appropriate account groups, and
- 2. Authorize the Select Board to engage in the discussion of and a recommendation for future options to manage the water management service of the Town including: joint operations with another municipality, water management services, technical expertise consulting, personnel services, sale of the company to a private water entity and
- 3. Develop a possible new structure for the management of the water company by the Town, and
- 4. Develop a schedule for the necessary Capital Expenditures and debt to be incurred by the Town for the proper functioning of the water company in the next 5-10 years and
- 5. To amend the Water Department Budget as voted at the May 3, 2022 Annual Town Meeting to include item L Technical Support/Engineering Services and to transfer from Water

Retained Earnings the sum of \$109,719.00 and raise from water department revenue the sum of 4,000.00, and with a tax levy subsidy of \$136,281, for a total of \$250,000, or any other amount, and/or to seek grants to offset some of the cost, or any other action relative thereto.

(Finance Committee recommends approval 3 in favor, 1 abstention.)

And you are requested to warn said inhabitants of said meeting by posting copies of this Warrant in four or more public places in said Town, fourteen days at least, before the time of holding same.

Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this 27st day of October, Two Thousand and Twenty-two.

Selectboard:

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Lucinda Vermeulen, Vice-Chair

Mary A. Brazie, Member

DATE:

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

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James Olmsted,

Constable, Town of Egremont

DATE: Oct- 28-2022